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Professor Makis Athanasoulis

C/O Professor Themis Sapsis

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Dear Makis,

I am extremely sorry that prior rigid constraints are preventing me from participating in the august celebration of your retirement. Nevertheless, with this letter I would like to register my great respect for your contributions as an applied analyst with persistent focusing on uncertainty and nonlinearity issues. I would also like to share my affinity with and appreciation for your witty personality, and holistic philosophy as a human being. I want to particularly emphasize the long/convoluted scientific discussions that we have had about scientific concepts, and your resolute commitment to substantiveness over impressionism in science and engineering.

I wholeheartedly wish you all the best in whatever you decide to pursue after your retirement. Please note that my group at Rice University will permanently be a welcoming harbor for your scientific trips and trajectories.

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